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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Islam et al  
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Title: Apparatus and Method for Optical Add/Drop Multiplexing

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks.